(c) and (d) The Bill provides graded penalties as per gravity of offences. Stringent punishment has been provided for "unsafe food." The Bill provides that any person who, whether by himself or by any other person on his behalf manufactures for sale or stores or sells or distributes or imports any article of food including packed foods for human consumption which is unsafe, shall be punishable with imprisonment varying from three to six month and also with fine varying from one to ten lakh.

Setting up of National Institute of Food Technology and Management

2424. SHRIVIJAY J. DARDA:
SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up National Institute of Food Technology and Management;

(b) if so, what is its estimated cost; and

(c) by when the Institute is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI): (a) to (c) the setting up of National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management (NIFTEM) was announced in the Union Budget 2006-07. Ministry of Food Processing Industries propses to set up the Institute with an estimated cost of Rs. 244.6 crores and make it partially operational this year, after obtaining necessary clearances.

Extra curricular activities in Government schools

2425. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI HARISH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3042 given in the Rajya Sabha on 15th May, 2006 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite availability of infrastructure, facilities of extra curricular activities are not being made available to all the students;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the school authorities do not adequately sensitise parents and students to avail such facilities and opportunities;

(c) whether it is also a fact that such facilities remain unutilized by the students due to lack of trained instructors; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) No, Sir. Extra-curricular activities form an integral part of the teaching-learning process. Periods are ear-marked for each class for games, cultural activities etc. Parent teachers associations are being associated in school activities. Proper attention is given for the optimal utilizaion of facilities for extra-curricular activities. Physical Education Teachers, Music Teachers & Drawing Teachers are posted in Vidyalayas.

(d) Does not arise.

Study centres and course co-ordinators of IGNOU

2426. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the basis on which the study centres and course co-ordinators at the study centres of IGNOU are chosen;

(b) whether IGNOU exercises regular quality control over the performance of such study centres and course co-ordinators and IGNOU has evolved any system of gradation of study centres;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and if so, the category-wise details thereof;

(d) whether Government are aware of the lack of library, laboratory and other teaching infrastructure in the study centres of IGNOU in remote towns; and